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Office of General Counsel Kentucky Registry of Election Finance 140 Walnut Street Frankfort, KY 40601

RE: Request for Advisory Opinion

Dear Sir or Madame:

Please accept this letter as a request to the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance ("KREF") for an advisory opinion pursuant to KRS § 121.135 by the Associated Industries of Kentucky, Inc. ("AIK") and its member companies.

AIK is a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. AIK plans to establish a political issue committee (the "Committee") pursuant to KRS Chapter 121. The Committee's principal purpose will be to solicit and expend funds for a particular constitutional amendment that will appear on the ballot in the Commonwealth of Kentucky at the elections to be held on November 5, 2002.

AIK wants to comply, and have the Committee reply, with all applicable laws. In this regard, AIK has the following questions.

- 1. Can AIK lawfully provide administrative support to the Committee such as office space, telephones, computers and personnel, and if so, must the Committee report the fair market value of the same as a contribution received from AIK?
- Can a for-profit corporation or a non-profit corporation make contributions to the Committee, and
 if so, does the KREF enforce the \$1,000 limit contained in KRS § 121,150(6), particularly in light
 of KREF Advisory Opinions 1998-011, 1999-005, 2000-004 and 2001-001.
- 3. Does the \$1,000 contribution limit specified by KRS § 121.150(6) limit the amount the Committee may accept from a for-profit corporation, non-profit corporation or an individual, particularly in light of KREF Advisory Opinions 1998-011, 1999-005, 2000-004 and 2001-001?

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Very truly yours.

Andrew C. Meko

President and CEO





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